

State Board of Education CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

September 2, 2016 Room 500, Cross State Office Building

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Geiger, Chair, Martha Harris, Ande Smith

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bill Beardsley, Deputy Commissioner, Maine DOE Scott Brown, Director, Maine DOE School Facilities Jim Harford, Maine DOE School Facilities Ed Barrett, City Administrator, City of Lewiston Bill Stockmeyer, Attorney, Drummond Woodsum Ann Pinnette, Maine DOE School Facilities Valerie Chiang, Maine DOE School Facilities Bill Webster, Superintendent, Lewiston Public Schools Shawn Chabot, Principal, Lewiston High School

CALL TO ORDER: 1:00 p.m.

Peter Geiger called the meeting to order.

Minutes of July 29, 2016 were approved as written.

The Deputy Commissioner discussed initiating the next rating cycle for the Major Capital School Construction Program with the Committee. A timeline and draft application will be presented for discussion at the next Committee meeting.

The chair introduced the Major Capital School Construction – Consideration of Additions to the Approved Projects List Exhibit to the Committee. After a brief discussion the Committee voted to send the Exhibit to the Board with the recommendation that it be approved.

Bill Webster, Ed Barrett, and Bill Stockmeyer presented updated information regarding the City of Lewiston's work with the National Park Service (NPS) on the land conversion process for the recently approved Elementary School project. The NPS has agreed to the expedited proposal with a delayed parkland conversion and is working closely with the city to keep the project on its original schedule. After the update and questions, the Committee requested that the city and school administrators provide a letter to the Department stating that the city of Lewiston accepts the risks associated with the project until the expedited conversion has been completed and approved by the NPS. Ed Barrett, Bill Webster, and attorney Bill Stockmeyer agreed to the Committee's request and will provide the letter.

There being no further business, the Committee voted to adjourn at 1:45 p.m.

The next Construction Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday September 30, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in room 500 at the Burton Cross office building.